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Election of one member of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments, pursuant to article 9, paragraph 1 (b), of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961 as amended by the 1972 Protocol

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The President of the International Narcotics Control Board was informed by letter dated 19 December 2003 of the resignation of Jacques Franquet (France), an elected member of the International Narcotics Control Board.

2. Mr. Franquet was elected by the Economic and Social Council in 2001 from among the candidates nominated by Governments, pursuant to article 9, paragraph 1 (b), of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs of 1961, as amended by the 1972 Protocol. Mr. Franquet's term of office started on 2 March 2002 and would have expired on 1 March 2007. Accordingly, the member to be elected to fill the remainder of Mr. Franquet's term of office should be elected from a list of candidates nominated by Governments.

3. In accordance with established procedure and the provisions of the 1961 Convention, the Secretary-General, on 12 January 2004, invited States Members of the United Nations and those States parties to the 1961 Convention that were not members of the United Nations to nominate candidates by 28 February 2004.

4. As at 1 April 2004, five candidates had been nominated by Governments. Their names are presented in alphabetical order:

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Name	*Nominating Government*
Audrone **Astrauskiene**	Lithuania
M. F. Audrey **D'Hotman de Villiers**	Mauritius
Dawood Abdool Satar **Jackaria**	Mauritius
Alexis **Ruzindaza**	Rwanda
Rima **Vaitkiene**	Lithuania

5. The Secretariat has not yet received any statements of impartiality signed by the candidates nominated by Lithuania and Mauritius.

6. Biographical information transmitted by Governments with their communications nominating the candidates is contained in the annex to the present document.[1]

[1] For information on sessions of the International Narcotics Control Board in 2003, on payments to members and on the present membership of the Board, see E/2004/L.1/Add.3, annex II.

Annex

Biographical information on candidates nominated for election to the International Narcotics Control Board

Audrone Astrauskiene (Lithuania)

Education

Faculty of Natural Sciences (biophysics), Vilnius University, 1979-1984

Diploma, Doctor of natural sciences, 1990; Diploma, highest quality hygienic chemist, 1991

Diploma, Master of European Union policy and public administration, 2003

Postgraduate studies included courses on public policy and government relations, Chicago, Illinois, United States of America, 2000; global tobacco control scholarship programme, Lisle, Illinois, 2000; public health in the European Community (Public Health in the European Union programme), the Netherlands, 2001; exploring European Union decision-making on drugs (Public Health in the European Union programme), the Netherlands, 2003; and courses by the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction and the European Information Network on Drugs and Drug Addiction in Lisbon, Prague and Athens in 2002, 2003 and 2004 respectively

Present post

Director, Drug Control Department of the Government of Lithuania

Previous posts

Deputy Director, State Public Health Service

Memberships

European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction Management Board; Horizontal Working Group on Drugs

Publications

Over 40 publications, including national reports on drugs for 2002 and 2003

Honours

Doctor of natural sciences

Meetings attended

Meeting of national coordinators on drugs, Rome, 2003

Meeting of north baltic council of ministers, Lund, Sweden, 2003

Meeting of drug coordinators, Strasbourg, France, 2003

M. F. Audrey D'Hotman de Villiers (Mauritius)

Education

Bachelor of Science in health and counselling psychology, Emmanuel College, Boston, Massachusetts, 1996, with honors: summa cum laude, Dean's List, Psi Chi Honor Society

Master's Degree in clinical social work, with concentration in marriage, family and group therapy, and courses in special policy analysis, research and statistics, and psychological testing, Boston College, Boston, Massachusetts, 1998

Present posts

Director of the drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre, *Centre de solidarité pour une nouvelle vie*, since 2001

Acting rehabilitation psychologist, *Centre de solidarité* since 1998

Private practice: marriage, family and individual therapist, since 1998

Previous posts

School counsellor, Clavis Primary School, Mont Ory, Mauritius, 1998-2000

Psychological counsellor (*Conseillère d'orientation psychologue*) and Coordinator, Religions and Moral Values, *Ecole du Centre*, Moka, Mauritius, (1998-1999)

Memberships

Member of the Board of the National Agency for the Treatment and Rehabilitation of Substance Abusers since 2002

Publications

Contributed to a national criminological report on domestic violence for the Ministry of Women's Rights, Child Development and Family Welfare, March 2000

Reported on the psychological impact of the riots on the Creole population in Triolet and Goodlands, March 1999

Developed a sociological profile based on an in-depth assessment of juvenile justice administration in Mauritius, commissioned by the United Nations Children's Fund for the Ministry of Women's Rights, Child Development and Family Welfare, March 1999

Meetings attended

Conducted a workshop on child abuse for the social workers of the child development unit, Ministry of Women's Rights, Child Development and Family Welfare, February 1999

Represented Mauritius and the *Centre de solidarité pour une nouvelle vie* at the Third Global Conference on Drug Abuse Prevention, Palermo, Italy, September 2000

Conference on prevention of addictive behaviours, Réunion, June 2001

Dawood Abdool Satar Jackaria (Mauritius)

Education

Membership course for the Royal Pharmaceutical Society of Great Britain, Robert Gordon University, Aberdeen, Scotland, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, 1957-1960

United Nations course on administration of the international drug control convention, Mauritius, 1975

United Nations Development Programme course on pharmaceutical technology, University of Ghent, Belgium, 1977

Course on medicine management (*gestion du médicament*), Rennes, France, 1988

Present post

Pharmacist, pharmaceutical wholesale

Previous posts

Government pharmacist in hospitals and pharmaceutical laboratory, 1962-1968

Chief Pharmacist and Director of Pharmaceutical Services, Ministry of Health and Quality of Life, Mauritius, 1968-1996

Actively involved in the administration of the requirements of the international drug control conventions in Mauritius, 1968-1996

Meetings attended

World Health Organization regional meeting on essential drugs, Zimbabwe

Consultancy meetings on bulk procurement of drugs for East, Central and Western Africa, Commonwealth Regional Health Community Secretariat, Arusha, Tanzania

Expert committee, Commonwealth Pharmaceutical Association, diploma courses in pharmacy

Alexis Ruzindaza (Rwanda)

Education

Diploma in pharmacology, Department of pharmacology, Bari University, Italy, 1988, specialization in applied pharmacology

Diploma, applied pharmacology, Bari University, Italy, 1991

Present post

Chief of the Division on Pharmaceutical Information, Ministry of Health, Kigali, since April 2003

Previous posts

Director for the Management of Pharmacists, Ministry of Health, Kigali, from February 2000

Chief Pharmacist, Division of Pharmaceutical Information, Ministry of Health, Kigali, from 1996

Pharmacist (*pharmacien d'officines*), Italy, from 1992

Pharmacist of a non-governmental organization (*Projetto mondialità*), Italy, from 1991

Rima Vaitkiene (Lithuania)

Education

Doctor in Medicine, 1979

Diploma, internist, 1980, and diploma, nephrologist, 1993, Kaunas University of Medicine

Ph.D. in biomedicine, public health, Kaunas University of Medicine, 2000

Master's degree in public administration, Law University of Lithuania, 2004

Postgraduate studies included workshops on the nordic baltic tuberculosis project in Stockholm, July 1999; in Helsinki, January 2000; and in Vilnius, May 2001

International workshop on health policy and programme management, Korea Institute for Health and Social Affairs and Korea International Cooperation Agency, Seoul, November 1999

Open Society Institute, public health advisory board and expert committee meeting, Salzburg, Austria, July 2002

Present post

Chief of the Secretariat of the National Health Board, Lithuania, since December 2001

Previous posts

Deputy Director, Vilnius territorial sickness fund, December 1996-May 1998

Senior Specialist, Department of Health Care, Ministry of Health, May 1998-June 1999

Vice-Minister of Health, June 1999-December 2000

Chief, Department of Health Care, Ministry of Health, December 2000-June 2001

Publications

Annual report, National Health Board, 2001 and 2002

Meetings

World Bank and World Health Organization conference on health care in poor countries, Tbilisi, October 2000

International conference on health technology assessment, Stockholm, May 2001

Conference of the Open Society Institute and the European Public Health Alliance on effective advocacy for health in Europe, Riga, April 2003

High-level conference of the European Commission, Ministry of Health and Welfare of Greece and National School of Public Health entitled "European Union enlargement, health and health care: prospects and challenges", Athens, May 2003

Fourth workshop of the World Health Organization Regional Office for Europe on standards for health promotion, Barcelona, Spain, October 2003

Open Society Institute public health conference, Moving Harm Reduction Policy Forward, Chisinau, November 2003

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Election of five members of the International Narcotics Control Board from among candidates nominated by Governments

Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The Secretary-General has received two nominations from the Government of Zambia for election to the International Narcotics Control Board.[1] The candidates are: Lufwendo Saboi and Aaron Zulu.

2. Biographical information on the candidates is contained in the annex to the present note.

[1] See E/2004/L.1/Add.3 and Add.14 for information on other candidates nominated by Governments.

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Annex

Biographical information on candidates nominated for election to the International Narcotics Control Board

Lufwendo Saboi (Zambia)

Education: Bachelor of Laws degree (LLB) 1985 to 1989; advocate of the High Court of Zambia 1993.

Present post: Principal State Advocate of the Drug Enforcement Commission.

Achievements: Drafted the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and the Prohibition and Prevention of Money Laundering Act of 2001; Resource person on all drug-related legal matters, including money-laundering in financial institutions under the aegis of the Bankers Association of Zambia.

Courses attended:

1990-November 1991: Substance abuse training course, Lusaka, organized by the International Council on Alcohol and Addictions.

1991: Advanced anti-narcotics course organized by the Egyptian Police Research Centre and the African Centre for Crime Prevention, Cairo.

1992: Executive awareness course on money-laundering, Vancouver, Canada.

1995: Regional workshop on drug demand reduction, sponsored by the Commonwealth Secretariat, the United States Center for Substance Abuse Prevention and the United States Department of State, Lusaka.

1995: Course on training of trainers, organized by HM Customs and Excise, Lusaka.

1999: Money-laundering investigation course, Lusaka, organized by the Department of International Development, in conjunction with the British Council and West Midlands Police, United Kingdom.

2003: Seminar on control of drug offences, organized by the Japan International Cooperation Agency under the international cooperation programme of the Government of Japan, Tokyo.

Other qualifications: Member of the Law Association of Zambia; author of various articles on drug trafficking and money-laundering, including analysis of international instruments.

Aaron Zulu (Zambia)

Education:

1999: Postgraduate Certificate in Criminal Justice and Police Management at the University of Leicester, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

1999: International Commanders' Police Training Course, Police Staff College, Bramshill, United Kingdom.

1994: International relations course for defence and security officers, at Kabwe, Zambia.

1993: Identification and analysis of drugs of abuse in body fluids, United Nations-sponsored, National Laboratories, University of Helsinki.

1990: Course on identification and analysis of drugs of abuse, United Nations-sponsored, United Nations Office at Vienna.

Present post: Senior Assistant Commissioner, Drug Enforcement Commission

Conferences/seminars attended:

2003: International Conference on Drug and Organized Crime, Lyon, France, organized by the General Secretariat of Interpol.

1997: Commission on Narcotic Drugs intergovernmental working group, Vienna.

1995: Session of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs, Vienna.

1993: Regional Methaqualone Conference, Nairobi.

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Election of eight members to the Permanent Forum on Indigenous Issues from among candidates nominated by Governments

Note by the Secretary-General

Withdrawal of candidature

The Secretary-General has been informed that the candidature of Reuben Dasay A. Lingating has been withdrawn by the Government of the Philippines.[1]

[1] See E/2004/L.1/Add.15.

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Election of nine members of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Note by the Secretary-General

Withdrawal of candidature

The Secretary-General has been informed that the candidature of Dumitru Ceausu has been withdrawn by the Government of Romania.[1]

[1] See E/2004/L.1/Add.8.

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Note by the Secretary-General

Withdrawal of candidature

The Secretary-General has been informed that the candidature of M. F. Audrey D'Hotman de Villiers, who was nominated to replace Jacques Franquet (France), who has resigned his seat on the International Narcotics Control Board, has been withdrawn by the Government of Mauritius.[1]

[1] See E/2004/L.1/Add.16.

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Note by the Secretary-General

Addendum

1. The Secretary-General has been informed that the Government of Italy has nominated Gilberto Gerra as a candidate to replace Jacques Franquet (France), who has resigned his seat on the International Narcotics Control Board.[1]

2. Biographical information on Mr. Gerra has been circulated in document E/2004/L.1/Add.3.

[1] See E/2004/L.1/Add.16 and Add.20 for information on other candidates nominated by Governments.

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